

QUARTERLY LISTING OF COMMUNITY ISSUES AND RELATED PROGRAMMING

WLS-TV Chicago, Illinois

From January through March, 1999, WLS-TV aired 14 regularly scheduled local programs dealing with community issues, more than 677 public service announcements, and a number of special programs. WLS-TV also broadcasts more than 31 hours of local news programs per week, as well as ABC network programs, which are listed in the ABC TELEVISION NETWORK NEWS and PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAMMING REPORT in our public file.

Our regularly scheduled newscasts air on the following days and times:

Monday through Friday:	5:30-6am; 6-7am; 11:30am-noon; 4-4:30pm; 4:30-5pm; 5-5:30pm; 6-6:30pm; and 10-10:35pm. The 10pm news reruns Monday through Thursday nights at 1:05-1:40am.
Saturday:	5-5:30pm; 10-10:35pm
Sunday:	6-7am; 8-10am; 5-5:30pm; 10-10:35pm. The 10pm news reruns Sunday night at approximately 1:05-1:40am..

A listing of news stories is attached.

During the month of February, we aired Black History Month specials as well as Black History Month Messages.

Through meetings with community residents we've determined that the following issues are of particular importance to our local community:

- MINORITIES
- CHILDREN'S ISSUES
- AFFORDABLE HOUSING
- GOVERNMENT FUNDING
- MISCELLANEOUS (WELFARE REFORM, WOMEN, HEALTH CARE,
VIOLENCE, TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNITY SERVICES, ELECTIONS)

Some of the station's most significant treatment is described in the pages that follow.

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Following is a list of our regularly-scheduled public affairs programs:

CHICAGOING (Sundays at 11-11:30am; effective 3/7 10:30-11am)

Bill Campbell hosts this community showcase which features Chicago's diverse neighborhoods and cultural opportunities.

SANCTUARY (Sundays at 12:30-1pm. Monthly)

Community issues are looked at from a spiritual angle. Rotating hosts are Protestant, Catholic, and Jewish.

NEWS VIEWS (Sundays within 8am news)

Alan Krashesky covers political issues.

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The following is a listing of the public affairs specials we aired in the first quarter, 1999:

MAKING IT HAPPEN: AFRICAN AMERICAN MASTERS OF INVENTION

(Sunday, January 17, 4-5pm)

This special features a variety of Black men and women inventors who have made major contributions to the progress of society.

UNITED CEREBRAL PALSY TELETHON (Sunday, January 24, 11am-5pm)

Annual telethon to raise money to fight cerebral palsy and related conditions. Locally produced.

BOOKER (Sunday, 2/7, 12:30-1:30pm)

Winner of multiple awards, including the Parents Choice Award, it is based on the life of Booker T. Washington and is the impassioned story of the boy who struggled through slavery to found the Tuskegee Institute.

PEOPLE, PLACES, AND THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

(Saturday, February 20, 6-6:30pm; rerun Saturday, February 27, 12:30-1pm)

Profiles African American in Chicago who have made significant contributions to Black history. Locally produced.

KNOW YOUR HERITAGE

(Sundays, February 13, 20, 27, at 12-12:30pm; Sunday, March 7, at 11:05-11:35pm)

Black History Month Specials. A series of 4 shows featuring top Chicagoland high school students competing in their knowledge of Black history.

JOURNEY OF THE AFRICAN AMERICAN ATHLETE

(Part I: Saturday, February 20, 12:30-1:30pm; Part II: Sunday, February 28, 1:40-2:40am)

Special showing how far the African American athlete has come in the struggle to achieve racial equality both on and off the playing field.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH MESSAGES (various dates and times throughout February)

Black students share their feelings of why they are proud to be African-American. Black History Month programming. Locally produced.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE. (Saturday, March 13, 12-1:30pm – LIVE)

Saluting the Irish-American community. Locally produced.